

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

# The City Of Augusta

## *Proclamation*

*IN RECOGNITION of the “Huisman Sickle Cell Foundation of Augusta, Inc.”*

*WHEREAS, the Huisman Sickle Cell Foundation of Augusta, Inc. was formed officially on February 9, 2001, and named after Dr. Titus H. J. Huisman; and*

*WHEREAS, Dr. Titus H. J. Huisman was internationally known for his work in hemoglobin researches and was responsible for establishing a Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center at the Medical College of Georgia; and*

*WHEREAS, Dr. Huisman passed away on May 31, 1999, and in June 2000, a dedication ceremony was held in his memory by officially naming the hemoglobin laboratory where he worked for many years as the “Titus H. J. Huisman Hemoglobin Laboratory”; and*

*WHEREAS, the mission of the Huisman Sickle Cell Foundation of Augusta, Inc. is to obtain and maintain monies to assist sickle cell patients and their families in the surrounding areas, to send pediatric patients to sickle cell summer camp, to set up scholarship funds, to provide food and drinks to the clinics, and to provide toys, coloring books, reading materials and other needs while they are hospitalized; and*

*WHEREAS, thus the name, Huisman Sickle Cell Foundation of Augusta, Inc. is certainly a befitting tribute to Dr. Huisman’s legacy.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2004, to be “HUISMAN SICKLE CELL FOUNDATION OF AUGUSTA, INC. DAY” in Augusta, Georgia, and urge all citizens to recognize this day.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2004.*

*Mayor*